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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	Application No. 10/672,405	Applicant(s) JAFRI ET AL.	
	Examiner Akiba K. Robinson-Boyce	Art Unit 3628	

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#### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

#### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-22 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 14-19 and 21 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13, 20 and 22 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 21 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

#### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

#### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

#### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                                | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Status of Claims***

1. Due to communications filed 9/26/03, the following is a non-final office action. Due to a restriction requirement mailed 1/26/07, the applicant has elected group I, claims 1-13, and 20-22. Claims 14-19 are non-elected claims and are therefore not considered by the examiner. Claims 1-13 and 20-22 are pending in this application, however, claims 1-13, 20 and 22 are rejected as follows.

### ***Claim Objections***

2. Claim 21 is objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 21 depends on itself. Examiner therefore interprets it as being dependent upon claim 14 (and therefore, part of non-elected group II) since both introduce the "legacy server" topic. This claim has therefore not been considered by the examiner.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 1-13, 20 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Ackerman et al, (US 2004/0019606 A1).

As per claim 1, Ackerman et al discloses:

providing first travel information on a non-internet basis for flights between the specified departure location and the specified destination at the specified time, ([0036], lines 13-27, shows internal, external, broadcast, etc. data sources used to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary, w/[0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary);

providing second travel information on an internet basis for travel between the specified departure location and the specified destination at the specified time, ([0036], lines 1-13, shows use of websites to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary, w/[0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary); and

providing for a visual display of the first travel information and the second travel information respectively on first and second adjacent monitors, (Fig. 2, {126}, and {122}, w/[0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

As per claim 2, Ackerman et al discloses:

Wherein the first travel information and the second travel information are displayed on the adjacent monitors to simplify the selection of a preferred travel by a user and to provide for the selection by the user among a full range of travel information, ([0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables

user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

As per claim 3, Ackerman et al discloses:

Wherein the first and second monitors indicate selective ones of the departure location, the destination, the time of departure and the price, ([0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary).

As per claim 4, Ackerman et al discloses:

sending a first request for details of the travel service to a global distribution system through a medium other than the internet, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate...databases);

sending a second request through the internet to a server, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate the data sources, where data sources include websites);

receiving from the global distribution system, in response to the first request, first details of travel services, ([0036], lines 13-27, shows internal, external, broadcast, etc. data sources used to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary);

receiving through the internet, in response to the second request, second details of travel services, ([0036], lines 1-13, shows use of websites to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary); and

respectively displaying the first and second details of the travel services in first and second adjacent monitors to obtain a selection of an individual one of the travel services by a user, (Fig. 2, {126}, and {122}, w/[0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

As per claim 5, Ackerman et al discloses:

Wherein the first and second travel services are respectively displayed in an adjacent visual relationship on the first and second adjacent monitors to facilitate the selection of the one of the travel services by the user and to provide for the selection among a full range of travel services, ([0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data, in this case, websites generate a full range of travel services, w/ Fig. 14, (258) shows event type selection).

As per claim 6, Ackerman et al discloses:

Wherein the first request is sent through a wide area network and the first details of the travel services are received through the wide area network, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate...databases);

and wherein the second request is sent through the internet and the second details are received through the internet, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate the data sources, where data sources include websites).

As per claim 7, Ackerman et al discloses:

the first and second details include selective ones of a departure location, a destination, a time of departure and a price, ([0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary).

As per claim 8, Ackerman et al discloses:

the first request is sent through a wide area network and the first details of the travel services are received through the wide area network, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate...databases);

and wherein the second request is sent through the internet and the second details are received through the internet, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate the data sources, where data sources include websites);

and wherein the first and second details include selective ones of the departure location, the destination, the time of departure and the price, ([0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary).

As per claim 9, Ackerman et al discloses:

receiving from a first storage of information, by a medium other than the internet, first details of the travel service in response to a first request, ([0036], lines 13-27, shows internal, external, broadcast, etc. data sources used to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary, w/[0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary);

receiving from a second storage of information, through the internet, second details of the travel service in response to a second request, ([0036], lines 1-13, shows use of websites to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary, w/[0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary); and

respectively displaying the first and second details of the travel service in a relationship on adjacent monitors to provide for a simplified selection by a user of one of the first and second details of travel service and to provide for the selection among a full range of details of the travel service, (Fig. 2, {126}, and {122}, w/[0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

As per claim 10, Ackerman et al discloses:

the first storage of information is in a global distribution system and the first details of the travel service are received from the global distribution system through a wide area network, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate...databases).

As per claim 11, Ackerman et al discloses:

wherein the first and second details of the travel service are respectively displayed in an adjacent relationship on the adjacent monitors to provide for a simplified selection by a user of one of the first and second details of travel service and to provide for the selection among a full range of details of the travel service, ([0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and



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external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

As per claim 12, Ackerman et al discloses:

wherein the first and second details of the travel service are respectively displayed in an adjacent relationship or an adjacent pair of monitors to provide for a simplified selection by a user of one of the first and second details of travel service and to provide for the selection among a full range of details of the travel service, ([0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data)..

As per claim 13, Ackerman et al discloses:

Wherein the first detail of the travel service are provided in a wide area network, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate...databases).

As per claim 20, Ackerman et al discloses:

providing on a non-internet basis first travel information involving the particular parameters, ([0036], lines 13-27, shows internal, external, broadcast, etc. data sources used to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary, w/[0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary);

providing on an internet basis second travel information involving the particular parameters, ([0036], lines 1-13, shows use of websites to gather information about travel conditions that effect a travel itinerary, w/[0001], shows point of departure, destination included in travel itinerary); and

providing for a visual display of the first and second travel information respectively on first and second adjacent monitors, (Fig. 2, {126}, and {122}, w/[0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

As per claim 22, Ackerman et al discloses:

Wherein the first travel information is provided through a wide area network, ([0035], shows inputs 118 and 120 that enables a user to manipulate...databases); and wherein the first travel information and the second travel information are provided in the first and second monitors at a processing station, (Fig. 2, {126}, and {122}, w/[0035], lines 7-24, shows a set of displays, where displays 122 enables user to access internal and external data sources and data bases related to travel, which includes websites, and displays 126 allows a user to receive outside information such as broadcast data).

### ***Conclusion***

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Akiba K Robinson-Boyce whose telephone number is 571-272-6734. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9am-5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Hayes can be reached on 571-272-6708. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-746-7238

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[After final communications, labeled "Box AF"], 703-746-7239 [Official Communications], and 703-746-7150 [Informal/Draft Communications, labeled "PROPOSED" or "DRAFT"].

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-3900.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. R. B. Boyce".

A. R. B.

March 29, 2007